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SUBJECT: SKELETON STAFF FROM EMBASSY PHNOM PENH ESTABLISHES WORKING GROUP IN EMBASSY BANGKOK

CAMBODIA-B NO.1

1. AMBASSADOR DEAN AND TWELVE OTHER MEMBERS OF EMBASSY PHNOM PENH STAFF ARRIVED BANGKOK 1800 HOURS APRIL 12. OUR TENTATIVE PLAN IS TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO DEAL WITH CONTINUING ASPECTS OF OUR RELATIONS WITH CAMBODIA. BECAUSE OF RTG SENSITIVITIES, WE WILL NOT LABEL THIS GROUP THE "CAMBODIA WORKING GROUP" OR USE ANY OTHER SUCH TITLE, BUT WILL SIMPLY ESTABLISH OURSELVES IN EMBASSY BANGKOK'S CHANCERY.

2. OUR PERSONNEL NOW IN BANGKOK ARE THE FOLLOWING:

AMBASSADOR DEAN

ROBERT V. KEELEY, DCM

RAYMOND L. PERKINS, POL/MIL COUNSELOR

ARTHUR E. GOODWIN, JR. ADMIN COUNSELOR

JAMES D. MCHALE, PAO

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NORMAN L. SWEET, ACTING US/AID DIRECTOR
DOL. LOUIS B. MARTIN, DATT

COL. RICHARD SCHIMBERG, DEP. CHIEF, MEDTC

DAVID D. WHIPPLE, POL/MIL OFFICER

MAJ. LOUIS STURBOIS, AARMA

MAJ. JAMES WRIGHT, SSO

MISS BEVERLY SMITH, AMBASSADOR'S SECRETARY

MISS HEIDI AUGUST, SECRETARY

3. MRS. GLORIA COLLINS, SECRETARY, IS ALSO A MEMBER
OF OUR GROUP.

4. THE REMAINDER OF THE OFFICIAL AMERICANS WE EVACUATED
FROM PHNOM PENH ON APRIL 12(EXCEPT FOR THOSE MENTIONED IN
PARA 6) REMAINED ON THE USS OKINAWA WHICH IS DUE IN AT SATTAHIP
APPROXIMATELY 0800 HOURS
APRIL 13.

5. AMBASSADOR DEAN, MR. KEELEY, MR. PERKINS, MR. GOODWIN,
COL. SCHIMBERG, MISS SMITH AND MRS. COLLINS WILL ESTABLISH
A CENTRAL IN EMBASSY BANGKOK TO CARRY ON OUR RE-
MAINING FUNCTIONS. MR. MCRAE WILL ATTACH HIMSELF TO USIS
BANGKOK. COL. MARTIN, MAJ. STURBOIS AND MAJ. WRIGHT
WILL ATTACH THEMSELVES TO THE DAO IN BANGKOK. MR.
WHIPPLE AND MISS AUGUST WILL JOIN THEIR COLLEAGUES IN
EMBASSY BANGKOK. MR. SWEET WILL BE ABLE TO UTILIZE
THE FACILITIES OF THE BANGKOK SUPPORT OFFICE, AS WELL
AS AID PERSONNEL EVACUATED EARLIER FROM PHNOM PENH TO
BANGKOK.

6. BG PALMER, CHIEF, MEDTC, WILL DIRECT CONTINUING
MEDTC ACTIVITIES FROM SAMAE SAN. HE HAS WITH HIM
ALREADY, FROM AMONG PERSONNEL EVACUATED FROM PHNOM PENH,
COL. REGINALD LOMBARD AND CAPTAIN BOWRA. COL. SCHIMBERG,
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WHO IS PART OF OUR GROUP IN BANGKOK, WILL SERVE AS
LIAISON WITH MEDTC-SAMAE SAN.

7. THE ABOVE ARRANGEMENTS ARE, OF COURSE, ENTIRELY
TEMPORARY AND MAY BE REVISED CONSIDERABLE WHEN THE RE-
MAINDER OF OUR PERSONNEL ARRIVE IN BANGKOK TOMORROW
OR THE NEXT DAY.

8. WE SUGGEST THAT MESSAGES ORIGINATED BY OUR EX-PHNOM
PENH GROUP BE CAPTIONED CAMBODIA-B NO. 1, ETC., AND THAT
MESSAGES FRM THE DEPARTMENT DESTINED FOR US BE CAPTIONED
CAMBODIA-W NO. 1, ETC.
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